

CITY SEEKS O. K. FROM M'ADOO ON TRANSIT WORK

Advisory Committee at
Washington Questions
Need for Subway

MAYOR SEES WARBURG

Hopeful of Government Ap-
proval When Transporta-
tion Lack Is Shown

By a Staff Correspondent

Washington, March 28.—Government approval of Philadelphia's elevated and subway work was sought today from Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo by Mayor Smith, heading a committee of Philadelphia officials, when the advisory committee of the committee on capital issues questioned the necessity of the work at this time.

Falling to get approval from the advisory committee of the committee on capital issues for a bond issue for the high-speed transit work, it is understood, the delegation decided to "put it up" to Secretary McAdoo. The advisory committee approved an issue of city bonds for the city's authorized expenditures, but, it is said, balked at the proposed issue for transit.

Mayor Smith, hopeful that approval would be forthcoming when the city's urgent transit needs become known, conferred with Paul M. Warburg, chairman of the committee on capital issues.

Mayor Smith and his delegation held a conference with the advisory committee this afternoon and asked for the committee's approval of the \$5,000,000 issue of bonds to reimburse expenditures made under the act of Assembly of 1915 and to defray the cost of beginning the construction of a new subway and elevated railroad system. Mayor Smith explained to Allen B. Foran, chairman of the advisory committee, that about half of this money was needed to meet expenditures in connection with mandamus proceedings and various other bonds of expense authorized by the act of 1915, and that the remainder would be used to commence the construction of the proposed elevated and subway railroads badly needed by Philadelphia.

The explanation was supplementary to a written application filed by the Philadelphia officials with the advisory committee some days ago, which set forth the purpose of the proposed bond issue, following the Government's order to halt city work as a war measure.

The advisory committee has approved the issuance of bonds to an amount sufficient to meet the city's authorized expenditures, but is not yet convinced of the necessity at this time of floating bonds for the proposed elevated and subway systems, it was learned upon excellent authority.

Information similar to this must have been imparted to Mayor Smith and his party, because, after leaving the office of the advisory committee, they went to the Treasury Department and held a conference with Chairman McAdoo. They hoped to see Secretary McAdoo late this afternoon, if they could obtain an appointment.

With Mayor Smith were John P. Connolly, City Solicitor; Richard L. Austin, chairman of the Philadelphia Reserve Board, and John M. Walton, City Controller.

Upon coming out of the conference with the advisory board, Mayor Smith said it had been agreed that nothing would be given out for publication.

The suggestion probably came from the advisory board.

"We had a most satisfactory and pleasant conference and the result was a hopeful regarding the outcome," was all Mayor Smith would say.

It was learned, however, that the Mayor and his party are quite confident that full approval of the \$5,000,000 bond issue will be forthcoming from the Treasury Department when a proper investigation is made of the purposes in which the money is to be put and the necessity for improved transportation facilities in Philadelphia is realized.

The capital issues committee was formed from officials of the Treasury Department and the Federal Reserve Board by Secretary McAdoo for the purpose of investigating proposed State, county, municipal and private bond issues, and with a view to approving or disapproving them. In this way full protection is given for the series of Liberty loans and sale of war savings stamps.

There is no direct authority under the law for the Capital Issues Committee, but while it cannot forbid the issuance of bonds, its disapproval of an issue is usually sufficient to persuade big bond buyers from participating in the purchase of the issue and would likely result in failure to sell the bonds.

The committee was formed with a view to discouraging the issuance of numerous bonds not quite necessary during the war, and to make available funds for the purchase of Liberty Bonds.

There is a provision in the war finance bill now before Congress authorizing the formation of the Capital Issues Committee and giving it considerable control over bond issues.

Mayor Smith and his associates went to the Capitol later in the afternoon and talked with some of the Philadelphia congressmen.

**BREAD CARDS IN SIGHT,
CONGRESS IS WARNED**
Food Situation Is Serious, Says Representative Leverage During House Debate

Washington, March 28.—"It is not many months, I fear, to the bread card." This statement was made this afternoon in the course of a debate in the House by Representative Leverage, chairman of the Agricultural Committee.

"Gentlemen," he continued, "you do not realize how serious the food situation really is. Our last year's wheat crop was poor, and the prospects this year are not promising."

LA FOLLETTE'S EXPULSION AGAIN URGED IN SENATE

Williams, of Mississippi, Re-
iterates Disloyalty Charges
Against Wisconsin Colleague

Washington, March 28.—Senator John Sharp Williams (Miss.) today declared in the Senate that Senator La Follette (Wis.) should be expelled. This is the first time since charges of disloyalty were made against La Follette last summer that any open reference had been made to his conduct in the Senate.

Williams was reading from an editorial describing the Wisconsin political situation and "Wisconsin's present reputation in the Senate."

"That, of course, refers to Senator La Follette, who should be expelled from the Senate," said Williams.

FRIENDS TO TALK PEACE TO TROOPS

Pacifist Letter for All
Military-Age Men
Ordered

INCLUDE U. S. AND ALLIES

The Yearly Meeting of the Society of Friends this afternoon adopted George Fox's peace formula, as follows:

"We best serve our country and humanity when we affirm to the world that the dictates of hearts and consciences are greater than the dictates of any State."

All men of military age, either members or nonmembers of the Society of Friends, will be sent a letter telling them of the aims and desires of this organization during the war. This was decided upon at this afternoon's session of the Yearly Meeting of the Society of Friends, now convened in the Old Meeting House, Fourth and Arch streets.

This action was resorted to after two conscientious objectors, now stationed at Camp Dix, were introduced to the delegates. Since the outside world will learn in a day or two of the official acceptance of George Fox's pacifist formula, it was argued, the military-aged men must be appealed to for assistance in stamping out wars for all time.

The same form letter will be sent to many soldiers and Friends in England, France, Japan and Russia, as are known to the society.

A spirited discussion arose as to the advisability of sending such letters to members of the Society of Friends in the United States, when J. Garrett, a member of the committee which drafted the selection of Fox's pacifist formula, demanded that only conscientious objectors in the country receive it.

Joseph Elkington argued, however, that all men of draft and military age be included in the plan and made to realize the Friends' anti-war sentiments.

It was not explained at the meeting how these names were to be selected, but it is understood a huge list of such names has already been compiled.

"The soldiers themselves must be brought in contact with our views," said Mr. Elkington, "and we must work in earnest if we are to accomplish anything. Our cause is just and we cannot weaken."

J. H. Scattergood, another delegate, also urged that this course of appealing be given out for publication.

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BRITISH BREAK TURK FRONT; CAPTURE 3000

Destroy Entire Line in Vicin-
ity of Hit—Push Near
to Amman

London, March 28.—Operating in the Euphrates Valley northwest of Hit, British forces in "a highly successful operation" captured or destroyed virtually the entire Turkish "frontier" in that area, the War Office announced today.

"Khan Bagdadiah was carried by assault," the statement said. "Three thousand prisoners were taken, including a divisional commander and more than 200 officers, together with ten guns, 2000 rifles and other booty."

"The pursuit was carried beyond Haditha. Our casualties were light."

British mounted troops were within a mile of Amman at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, according to an official report from General Allenby received today.

Other British forces have crossed the river Jordan in the direction of Amman.

LAST-MINUTE WAR REPORTS

BRITISH
The enemy has crossed the
Somme from the north near
Chepilly. We fell back toward
Hamel.

Opposite Arras at least seven
enemy divisions attacked the line
which runs through Arleux, Fampoux, Neuville-Vitasse and Bois-leux. The fighting was severe,
with heavy enemy losses.

Opposite Arras our forward
zone has been penetrated.

North of the Somme the situa-
tion is substantially the same as
last night.

Between Hainvillers and Pont-
leuve the French counter-
attacked in force and drove the
enemy back on a front of six
miles to the depth of two miles.
The French pressure here con-
tinues.

GERMAN
Northwest of Bapaume we
have driven the enemy back to-
ward Buquoy and Hebuterne.

South of the Somme at many
points we drove the English and
French back into many regions
untouched by the war since 1914.

The Crown Prince pushed yes-
terday as far as St. Pierrepoint,
possessing Montdidier.

Our losses generally are within
normal limits. At some vital
points they are heavier, the
slightly wounded being estimated
at 60 to 70 per cent.

(Note.—It is not clear whether
this means 60 to 70 per cent of
all those engaged or that per-
centage of the total casualties.)

UKRAINIA REBELS, ATTACK TEUTONS

Trotsky Declares Russia
Must Organize Against
Internal Enemies

SOVIETS GAINING POWER

Copenhagen, March 28.—Further fighting was reported from Ukraine today where Ukrainian revolutionaries, supported by Bolshevik troops, have attacked the Austro-Germans and the Ukrainians operating with them.

Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik War Minister, in a speech at Moscow, said that Russia would have to organize and train an armed force at once, as "protection from internal enemies."

(Previous advices from a Russian source had stated Odenko and Kholson were recaptured from the Austro-German forces in southern Ukraine.)

A dispatch from Petrograd says the French, Italian and Serbian envoys have returned from Finland and proceeded to Vologda, where they will remain. They issued a statement saying they were returning in an official capacity. The Belgian, Portuguese and Greek envoys also are expected to return.

Tokyo, March 28.—The Japanese ambassador to Russia, who has just arrived from Petrograd, declared today that he did not fear German aggression in the Far East. He added that he did not think Germany plans to crush Russia by an offensive in Siberia, but to concentrate all her efforts in France, meanwhile securing if possible the food accumulated in Ukraine.

The Soviets are gaining enormous power in Russia, the diplomat went on. He said that German prisoners of war had been influenced by the Bolshevik movement and that he is convinced that

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AUSTRIANS ON WEST FRONT

Vienna Reports Gains—Lively Gun-
fire in Venetia

Vienna, March 28.—"Our attack again
won ground on the west front," the
Austrian War Office declared today.
"In Venetia (on the Italian front)
there was lively local artillerying."

MAYOR TO REQUEST CLOCKS SET AHEAD

Proclamation to Issue Tonight
Fixing 10 P. M. Saturday
for Advancing Hands

Mayor Smith will issue tonight a
proclamation requesting all residents of
Philadelphia to set their clocks and
watches one hour ahead at 10 o'clock
on Saturday night, March 30. By tak-
ing such a step Philadelphia will con-
form to the Government's daylight-sav-
ing plan, which goes into effect at 2
o'clock on the morning of March 31.

Tonight's proclamation will be issued
by the Mayor, in accordance with a sug-
gestion by the Executive Prussia
League, which was made when Presi-
dent Wilson approved the plan several
weeks ago.

By turning the hands of the clock for-
ward four hours in advance of the time
set by the Government, Philadelphians
will be spared the necessity of arising
in the middle of the night to follow out
the Government's request.

Mayor Smith is heartily in favor of
the plan generally, and believes that the
light-saving plan will have results both
economical and healthful, inasmuch as
the people will retire earlier without ap-
parently losing any time or pleasure.

LINER'S TIPLIST TRIP
An Atlantic Port, March 28.—One of
the largest liners in the transatlantic
service has arrived here, bringing nine
passengers, whose names were attended
to by sixty stewards.

The stewards had an extremely un-
profitable trip, as no passengers called
for a drink, entered the barber shop or
offered a tip.

German Drive Failure, Clemenceau Declares

Paris, March 28.—"No matter what convulsions
occur in the next two or three days
the German plan has failed," Prem-
ier Clemenceau is quoted by
L'Heure as having declared in a
conversation with some Deputies
this morning.

"Doubtless the battle is still un-
finished, but the Germans will not
obtain either the road to the sea
or the road to Paris."

DECLARES SPIES DELAY AIRPLANES

Senator Overman Shows
Plugged Steel Which Hinder-
ed Many Machines

100,000 AT WORK IN U. S.

Washington, March 28.—GERMAN spies, working in American airplane factories, have delayed this country's aircraft program, Senator Overman charged in the Senate today.

Replying to continued recent attacks on the delay in supplying General Pershing's forces with flying machines, Senator Overman declared there are "100,000 German spies in this country," some of whom were at work in airplane plants.

Senator Overman exhibited a piece of steel which he said had been sawed through and plugged with lead by a spy who had then painted it so the presence of lead would not be detected.

The presence of this spy in the Curtiss plant delayed the construction of battle planes two months, said the Senator. They haven't caught the man yet.

"If I were President of the United States I'd commandeer the Curtiss plant and turn out many of the men there, putting loyal Americans in their places. I make no charges against the men there, but some of them have names that sound queer to me," Senator Overman declared.

He demanded action be taken to round up the spies and stop their work.

Replying to the sternest criticism, which for days has raged in the Senate over failure of the airplane program to come up to promise, Senator Overman said he favors criticism when it is just, but deprecates it when it is unfair.

"In this case it is unfair," he said. "The delay in the construction of airplanes is the work of spies. That is the mysterious blight of which Senator Jones, of Washington, spoke the other day."

"Every airplane which was partly or wholly built had to be gone over and examined for defects such as the one I have pointed out. This defect was discovered by a British army officer, an inspector. How many more spies there are in airplane factories I do not know."

Senator Overman gave Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the Military Committee, the name of a detective who is working on the case and suggested that he be called to verify Overman's charge of spy activities.

Following Overman's speech, Reed, in times past one of the most outspoken critics of the war government, delivered a warm appeal for harmony in the Senate.

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DUNKIRK IS BOMBARDED BY GERMANS' BIG GUNS

Shells Falling for Several Days Have
Found Five Victims—Little
Damage Caused

Paris, March 28.—Dunkirk has been
under enemy bombardment by long-
range guns for several days, it was
announced today. There have been but
five victims and only small material
damage.

Dunkirk is in France on the English
Channel, about 20 miles west of the
nearest point in the German lines. The
city has been bombarded before.

CAPTURE ALLEGED DESERTER

Artilleryman, Escaping From Arsenal
Guard, Arrested by Police

Arrested as a deserter from Camp
Mendo and placed in the Frankfurt
Arsenal, George W. Price, of 3615 South
Eighteenth street, a member of Battery
C, 11th Field Artillery, escaped last
night after being shot at by the guard.

While crossing Broad street near Fed-
eral this afternoon, Price was arrested
by Policemen Long and Dills, of the
Fifteenth street and Snyder avenue po-
lice station. Price was in full uniform.
He was taken to the City Hall and will
be turned over to the Federal authorities.

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BRITISH LINE PIERCED EAST OF ARRAS; FRENCH RETREAT TO WEST OF MONTDIDER

Position of Battle Line Late This Afternoon



100,000 U. S. MEN MAY JOIN BATTLE

Mobile Army of 800,000
Allied Reserves Ready
to Hit

EXPECT BLOW AT ONCE

Washington, March 28.—The Allies have a mobile army of 800,000 men ready to strike at the faltering Germans, and the time for the stroke is here, a high American army officer stated today.

It is possible that 100,000 American troops are available for this huge maneuver force to be thrown against the Teutons, he added.

Announcement that the great mobile reserve force amounts to 800,000 men is the first intimation of the size of this army being held for the psychological moment to strike. The possible presence of 100,000 Americans in the force brings home to the American people that their boys at the front may very soon be bearing, with the French and British, the brunt of the greatest battles of history.

The Germans have been forced to throw many fresh divisions into the fight every day, and officers here estimate that their reserve force has dwindled to about 300,000. It is hardly probable, officers say, that the enemy can bring up any more troops from points further behind the German line to meet the Allied counter-drive if this is launched at once.

"The sooner the counter-attack is launched the better," said one authority. "Each day it is delayed given the Germans that much time in which to move their heavier artillery up."

Army officers are not predicting that the Allies would have the situation well in hand within forty-eight hours (from yesterday) indicates that the hour of the Allied attack is near.

"The French are in an admirable position to strike the blow. By crossing the Oise River south of La Fere they can roll up the German line from the north and west. In fact, if they can launch such a movement successfully, I hardly see how a single German can get back safely behind the Somme."

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GRAND JURY ASKS MORE PAY

Would Increase All Jurors' Salaries
and Give Prisoners Tobacco

A brief final presentation of the work of the Grand Jury was made to Judge Henry, substituting in Quarter Sessions Court today. The report contains only a few recommendations, the most important being "an increase in salary for men serving on all juries," and "the use of tobacco on all prisoners." The recommendations are made unaccompanied by comments.

During the month the jurors returned 394 true bills of indictment and ignored fifty-three. The report is signed by Timothy Allen, an attorney, and Charles D. Moore, an attorney.

Hot Springs Results
FIRST RACE, 5 1/2 furlongs:
Keweenaw, 114, Durbin, 118 to 1 to 2 to 3 to 4 to 5 to 6 to 7 to 8 to 9 to 10 to 11 to 12 to 13 to 14 to 15 to 16 to 17 to 18 to 19 to 20 to 21 to 22 to 23 to 24 to 25 to 26 to 27 to 28 to 29 to 30 to 31 to 32 to 33 to 34 to 35 to 36 to 37 to 38 to 39 to 40 to 41 to 42 to 43 to 44 to 45 to 46 to 47 to 48 to 49 to 50 to 51 to 52 to 53 to 54 to 55 to 56 to 57 to 58 to 59 to 60 to 61 to 62 to 63 to 64 to 65 to 66 to 67 to 68 to 69 to 70 to 71 to 72 to 73 to 74 to 75 to 76 to 77 to 78 to 79 to 80 to 81 to 82 to 83 to 84 to 85 to 86 to 87 to 88 to 89 to 90 to 91 to 92 to 93 to 94 to 95 to 96 to 97 to 98 to 99 to 100 to 101 to 102 to 103 to 104 to 105 to 106 to 107 to 108 to 109 to 110 to 111 to 112 to 113 to 114 to 115 to 116 to 117 to 118 to 119 to 120 to 121 to 122 to 123 to 124 to 125 to 126 to 127 to 128 to 129 to 130 to 131 to 132 to 133 to 134 to 135 to 136 to 137 to 138 to 139 to 140 to 141 to 142 to 143 to 144 to 145 to 146 to 147 to 148 to 149 to 150 to 151 to 152 to 153 to 154 to 155 to 156 to 157 to 158 to 159 to 160 to 161 to 162 to 163 to 164 to 165 to 166 to 167 to 168 to 169 to 170 to 171 to 172 to 173 to 174 to 175 to 176 to 177 to 178 to 179 to 180 to 181 to 182 to 183 to 184 to 185 to 186 to 187 to 188 to 189 to 190 to 191 to 192 to 193 to 194 to 195 to 196 to 197 to 198 to 199 to 200 to 201 to 202 to 203 to 204 to 205 to 206 to 207 to 208 to 209 to 210 to 211 to 212 to 213 to 214 to 215 to 216 to 217 to 218 to 219 to 220 to 221 to 222 to 223 to 224 to 225 to 226 to 227 to 228 to 229 to 230 to 231 to 232 to 233 to 234 to 235 to 236 to 237 to 238 to 239 to 240 to 241 to 242 to 243 to 244 to 245 to 246 to 247 to 248 to 249 to 250 to 251 to 252 to 253 to 254 to 255 to 256 to 257 to 258 to 259 to 260 to 261 to 262 to 263 to 264 to 265 to 266 to 267 to 268 to 269 to 270 to 271 to 272 to 273 to 274 to 275 to 276 to 277 to 278 to 279 to 280 to 281 to 282 to 283 to 284 to 285 to 286 to 287 to 288 to 289 to 290 to 291 to 292 to 293 to 294 to 295 to 296 to 297 to 298 to 299 to 300 to 301 to 302 to 303 to 304 to 305 to 306 to 307 to 308 to 309 to 310 to 311 to 312 to 313 to 314 to 315 to 316 to 317 to 318 to 319 to 320 to 321 to 322 to 323 to 324 to 325 to 326 to 327 to 328 to 329 to 330 to 331 to 332 to 333 to 334 to 335 to 336 to 337 to 338 to 339 to 340 to 341 to 342 to 343 to 344 to 345 to 346 to 347 to 348 to 349 to 350 to 351 to 352 to 353 to 354 to 355 to 356 to 357 to 358 to 359 to 360 to 361 to 362 to 363 to 364 to 365 to 366 to 367 to 368 to 369 to 370 to 371 to 372 to 373 to 374 to 375 to 376 to 377 to 378 to 379 to 380 to 381 to 382 to 383 to 384 to 385 to 386 to 387 to 388 to 389 to 390 to 391 to 392 to 393 to 394 to 395 to 396 to 397 to 398 to 399 to 400 to 401 to 402 to 403 to 404 to 405 to 406 to 407 to 408 to 409 to 410 to 411 to 412 to 413 to 414 to 415 to 416 to 417 to 418 to 419 to 420 to 421 to 422 to 423 to 424 to 425 to 426 to 427 to 428 to 429 to 430 to 431 to 432 to 433 to 434 to 435 to 436 to 437 to 438 to 439 to 440 to 441 to 442 to 443 to 444 to 445 to 446 to 447 to 448 to 449 to 450 to 451 to 452 to 453 to 454 to 455 to 456 to 457 to 458 to 459 to 460 to 461 to 462 to 463 to 464 to 465 to 466 to 467 to 468 to 469 to 470 to 471 to 472 to 473 to 474 to 475 to 476 to 477 to 478 to 479 to 480 to 481 to 482 to 483 to 484 to 485 to 486 to 487 to 488 to 489 to 490 to 491 to 492 to 493 to 494 to 495 to 496 to 497 to 498 to 499 to 500 to 501 to 502 to 503 to 504 to 505 to 506 to 507 to 508 to 509 to 510 to 511 to 512 to 513 to 514 to 515 to 516 to 517 to 518 to 519 to 520 to 521 to 522 to 523 to 524 to 525 to 526 to 527 to 528 to 529 to 530 to 531 to 532 to 533 to 534 to 535 to 536 to 537 to 538 to 539 to 540 to 541 to 542 to 543 to 544 to 545 to 546 to 547 to 548 to 549 to 550 to 551 to 552 to 553 to 554 to 555 to 556 to 557 to 558 to 559 to 560 to 561 to 562 to 563 to 564 to 565 to 566 to 567 to 568 to 569 to 570 to 571 to 572 to 573 to 574 to 575 to 576 to 577 to 578 to 579 to 580 to 581 to 582 to 583 to 584 to 585 to 586 to 587 to 588 to 589 to 590 to 591 to 592 to 593 to 594 to 595 to 596 to 597 to 598 to 599 to 600 to 601 to 602 to 603 to 604 to 605 to 606 to 607 to 608 to 609 to 610 to 611 to 61